

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:361
ANSWERED ON:08.04.2003
TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN NCR
DHANI RAM SHANDIL;SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government are aware that several hardcore terrorists have taken shelter in the NCR towns and they consider it as safe heaven for attacking important places in the capital, as reported in the Times of India dated 13.3.2003;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have introduced any crackdown scheme to arrest such criminals particularly in the Capital;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and success achieved thereunder so far; and
- (e) the strategies proposed to be adopted by the Union Government to destroy the base of terrorists hiding in the NCR towns?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONS, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.361 FOR ANSWER ON 8.4.2003

(a)&(b): There were in the recent past five cases in which Pak-sponsored terrorists were either arrested or killed in the Western parts of Uttar Pradesh near Delhi. The possibility of Pak-Sponsored terrorists creating hide-outs in the areas adjoining Delhi, therefore, cannot be ruled out.

(c)to(e): Delhi Police has fully geared itself to develop intelligence about the activities and movements of terrorists and their harbours in and around Delhi and put in place an appropriate security cover to ensure that their nefarious designs are effectively neutralized. This includes a close coordination with the police forces of the neighbouring districts and the Central Intelligence Agencies. A large number of terrorists arrested or killed by Delhi Police during the last three years establishes the efficacy of these arrangements.